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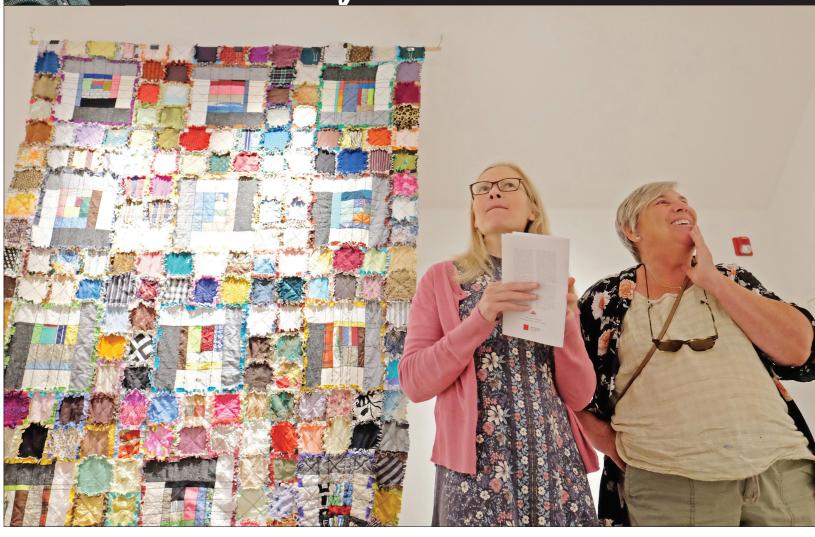




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#### What if I...

Fleming College instructor and exhibition co-ordinator Rose Pearson, left, stands with Vivien Green looking at the diverse work of the college's alumni at the opening event for the "What if I ..." **Haliburton School** of Art + Design's Visual and Creative Arts Diploma Alumni Exhibition on Friday, Aug. 9 at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden. Behind is a quilt by local resident and Fleming graduate Kelsey Redman called "Feed 005." The show features the work of graduates Emily Baron, Esther Rabinovitch, Kimberly Tucker, Monda Hedayati, Miriam R. Dumitra, Heather Lapp and Redman, and will be on until Sept. 7. / **DARREN LUM Staff** 

# County to buy Minden daycare

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

The County of Haliburton will purchase the daycare centre in Minden, the cen-

tre continuing to operate under the auspices of Compass Early Learning and Care and undergoing a major expansion. County council convened for a special meeting on Aug. 14, authorizing the municipality to proceed with the purchase of the property

and the premises from the Ontario Early Years Centre for the nominal sum of \$2.

The facility, located on Prentice Street, will continue to be operated by Compass, which assumed management in June of 2018. Previously, the daycare had been run by the

OEYC. On June, 15, 2018, parents whose children attended the facility received a letter from the OEYC, notifying them the daycare service would be terminated after June 22, as

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# Renovation proposed for daycare

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its continued operation had become financially unsustainable for the organization.

Distraught parents, upset they'd been given virtually no notice or adequate time to find alternative care for their children, voiced their concerns to OEYC management during a heated public meeting at the Minden Hills Community Centre on June 20, and effective June 25, 2018, Compass stepped in to take over operation.

While the property, initially donated by the Dollo family, has still been owned by the OEYC, it will now become property of the County of Haliburton.

County Warden Liz Danielsen is calling the situation a win/win for all the involved parties.

"The land was originally turned over to Early ON for a nominal sum and, while the deal isn't finalized yet, we have finally agreed on terms wherein the land will transfer to the county for the same nominal sum (\$2) rather than having a large acquisition cost," Danielsen wrote in an email to the *Times*. "The daycare will continue to operate under the same general terms and conditions and this will allow for the property to undergo some much needed improvements. This seemed the most appropriate direction for the county to take to ensure that we don't find ourselves in a boondoggle like we encountered a number of months ago with the daycare threatening to close, parents outraged and everyone wondering how they would arrange for childcare with little or no notice. This end result will be win/win for all parties concerned."

During Wednesday's special meeting, county chief administrative officer Mike Rutter explained that there have been recent negotiations regarding the property.

"We've obviously been in negotiation, it's been in closed







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— COUNTY WARDEN LIZ DANIELSEN



sessions, for a couple of meetings," Rutter said. "... A year ago, a little more than a year ago, we had some real uncertainty around the provision of childcare out of that facility, and it was a facility that was donated by the Dollo family a number of years ago to the county, and this is an opportunity to make sure that stays the case."

"The other thing I would say, is there is a significant renovation proposed for this property, about three quarters of a million dollars, fully funded by the Ministry of Education, and that will result in a lot more childcare spaces in the County of Haliburton."

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin was elated with the outcome.

"This is a happy story, more than a year's worth of work," Devolin said. "I want to thank the rest of county council. The thoughts initially were to have this property in ownership with Minden Hills, but the fact that the county has a direct relationship with the City of Kawartha Lakes in dealing with these matters, it's a lot more natural a relationship, I think. It's still . . . in the spirit that it remains in control of the local community."

A spokesperson with Compass told the *Times* that while the organization had no statement at the moment, it's looking forward to sharing its exciting plans for the property.

The OEYC is also pleased with the result.

"This is good news for the community and also the OEYC board of directors. The gifting of this property to the County of Haliburton is the resolution we have been working towards for some time," reads a statement from the organization. "We feel this aligns with the original intent for the property while also enabling the County of Haliburton to be involved in the future of licensed childcare in the community. We appreciate the time invested in this by the Mayor of Minden Hills, Brent Devolin, and also the CAO of Haliburton County, Mike Rutter."





#### **Ready for school**

SIRCH's School's Cool staff came together with their 14 graduates (two absent from photo) at the school readiness program's graduation ceremony on Tuesday, Aug. 13 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden. Available to three- to five-year-olds, the summer program provided the children with instruction that will enhance their entry into kindergarten. Lead instructor and co-ordinator, Margee Shelly, far right, thanked the Trillium Lakelands District School Board for their support, which helped to fund School's Cool. The program was started in 1998 by SIRCH. /DARREN LUM Staff



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#### MEET YOUR NEIGHBOURS

# Roxy the dog brings out smiles

by SUE TIFFIN

Times Staff

Roxy Campbell walks through the automatic doors of the Minden emergency department and is immediately greeted by name by nurses, who get a quick pet in. She then takes a moment to cozy up to anyone waiting at triage who might need a cuddle before she walks on through to her intended destination, Hyland Crest.

There, she basks in the same enthusiastic reaction to her visit – staff and residents light up when they see her face, and as she walks toward them she offers them a famous smile in return, connecting in friendship.

Roxy is a friendly nine-year-old golden retriever who has been visiting residents, especially her great-aunt Agnes, since she was about seven weeks old. When Roxy walks into Agnes's room, the woman smiles at the sight of the dog, feeding her treats to both of their delight.

After the visit, or perhaps once the treats run out, Roxy heads next door to see Bob Hurrie.

"Don't rush," says Bob, offering a treat, then a pet, a treat, then a pet, to Roxy, who gobbles it all up.

From there, she walks down to the common room of the long-term care facility, stopping for interaction as she's recognized along the way, before flopping down on her side next to a television broadcasting late af-

ternoon soap operas. She wags her tail a few times in acknowledgement of people greeting her, and waits for her friends to approach her.

"It's just part of her routine, isn't it?" says Andy Campbell, as he looks at his dog with pride. "She comes in, says hello. It's all about food. But she likes people, as most dogs do, wants to go and see them, say hello."

Roxy is Andy's third golden retriever, and the second to visit Hyland Crest with him, about twice weekly, when he stops in to say hello to his aunt. Andy says, "Let's go see Agnes," and the two walk down the street to do just that.

"Part of her routine is to come through the emergency department and stop at the triage," he said. "I always cut through, and when I cut through with the dog, somebody would see me and I'd stop to talk to them, say hello. The next time, Roxy will look for that person. Then the next time, someone else might say hello. And Roxy will come in and look for that person. And now she just stops. When we were just there before, the nurse came out and pet her. Isn't that nice? It's really nice."

As he speaks of Roxy, a resident who once had a dog on her farm comes to the common room, gets down on her hands and knees, and pets Roxy's belly, before offering the coveted treat.

"I do appreciate knowing you," she says to the dog.

"There's a connection they can make," says Andy. "If you can make a connection with a



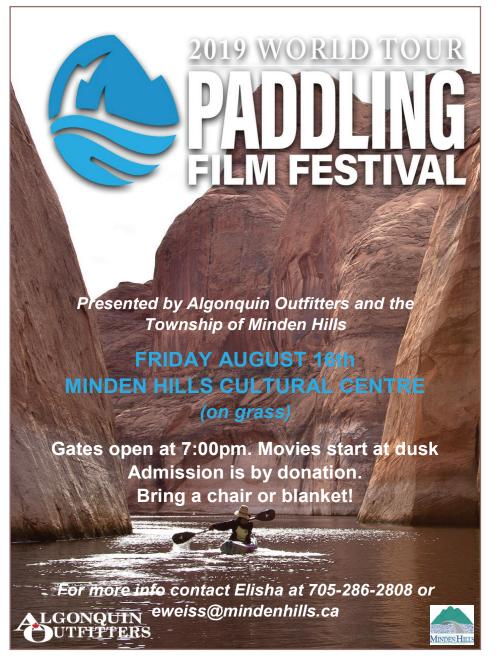
Roxy Campbell visits with her great-aunt, Agnes Charles, on a regular visit to Hyland Crest with Andy Campbell. Roxy brings much joy to the residents of the long-term care home, and receives love, affection and plenty of treats in return. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

dog, it's not going to interrupt your routine, but maybe change it a little bit ...And most of them had dogs at some point in their life, so they go, 'oh, this reminds me of Trixie,' or 'my dog...' and I end up having a conversation with them about their pets."

And the visits are nice for Andy, too.

"I get a great deal of satisfaction too, because I end up talking with the residents," he says. "You end up making a connection as well, and that's nice. She's made friends, and I've made friends."





# HCDC, county get provincial funding

The Haliburton County Development Corporation and the County of Haliburton are each receiving funding for projects through the province's Rural Economic Development (RED) program, administered through the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

HCDC is receiving \$50,000 for development studies on creating a student residence building in the community, and the county will receive \$20,000 in funding for food tourism projects.

"It is one of our strategic priorities at the Haliburton County Development Corporation to work closely with post-secondary institutions. We are very grateful for the opportunity to work with KOB North Lake Holdings to investigate the feasibility of a student residence next to the Haliburton campus," Patti Tallman, executive director of HCDC, said in a release. "Through the support of OMAFRA's RED Program, these studies are the first step towards creating the infrastructure needed for the Haliburton School of Art + Design Fleming College to expand. A student residence would be an incredible asset for our community."

"The County of Haliburton has been working on the development of food tourism, in support of many local businesses for the past several years," County Warden Liz Danielsen said in the release. "With the funding from the Rural Economic Development program, we will be able to launch a number of exciting programs in the back half of 2019 and support a contract position as well. It's an exciting – and delicious! – time for the Haliburton Highlands."

The county recently hired a food tourism facilitator in a contract capacity, and the culinary arts are one of the three pillars of the county's tourism strategy.

"By focusing on projects that help to create jobs and remove barriers to investment for the County of Haliburton, the revitalized Rural Economic Development program will undoubtedly help to grow and expand our local economy and create more investment and opportunity," Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP and Infrastructure Minister Laurie Scott said in the release.



Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott makes a funding announcement alongside Haliburton County councillors and tourism staff. /Photo submitted





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# **Unanswered questions**

**CHAD INGRAM** 

Reporter

F YOU'RE ANYTHING like me, you've spent most of the last month closely following the story of the B.C. murders, the ensuing manhunt and finally, earlier this week, the release of the autopsy results for the murder suspects.

It's been a harrowing, horrifying series of events, and is a story where it seems many questions will simply remain unanswered.

In the vast majority of murder cases, the victims and the perpetrators are known to each

other. They are acquaintances or family members or spouses. Drug- and crimerelated homicides often stem from deals gone wrong, or situations where someone owes someone else money. In all of these scenarios, there is a pre-existing relationship between victim and perpetrator.

What's so unsettling about the three murders that took place in northern B.C. in July is the seeming randomness to them. A young couple, in Canada on vacation, shot to death. A retired university lecturer also murdered. The RCMP have not released details about how he was killed, nor have they released information regarding the tip that apparently changed the status of the now-dead murder suspects from missing persons to wanted men.

Just as unnerving as the seeming randomness of the killings themselves was the two-week manhunt that followed, a country on edge as two, clearly very disturbed, dangerous individuals remained at large. Or, at least, there was the possibility they were still at large. We just didn't know. After the

last confirmed sighting on July 22, the two suspects were, it seems, never seen again, although many people believed they'd seen them. The suspects had fled to northern Manitoba, that much was confirmed, but police received dozens of tips from people in Ontario who believed they'd spotted them. A nightmarish scenario wreaking havoc on the imaginations of many.

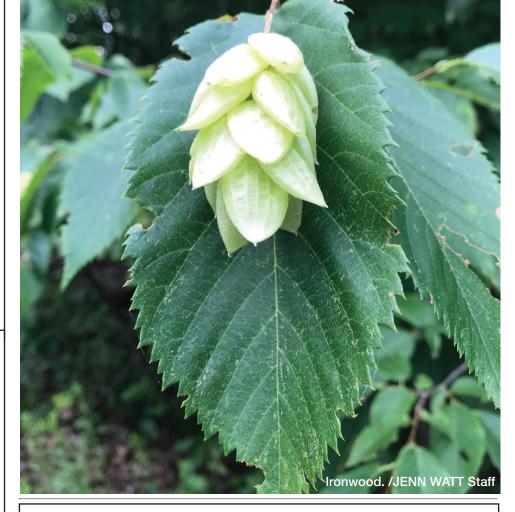
Then, last week, a guide on the Nelson River discovered a sleeping bag tangled in some weeds,

notifying the police. Not long after, and not far away, police discovered two bodies in the dense brush of the Manitoba wilderness. The RCMP made it clear it was believed the bodies were those of the suspects, and early this week, autopsy results revealed that to be the case, along

with the fact that the two died of apparent suicide by gunfire.

The bodies were found just eight kilometres from where the suspects' last burned-out vehicle was discovered. They'd never made it far at all.

While the confirmation of the identities provides closure for most of us and in a way brings the story to an end, for the families of the victims it seems unlikely there will ever be the same kind of closure. With all the involved parties deceased, the kind of details that usually emerge during a trial are unlikely to ever be known. While the police investigation continues, questions around exactly how events unfolded and why these senseless acts of violence happened in the first place, will likely never be answered.



# The bacon conundrum

THERE ARE NOT TOO MANY things I admire about the vegan lifestyle, but I will say this. Its practitioners do have a distinct advantage when it comes to wilderness camping in bear country. This is predominantly because they do not harbour any love of bacon.

This is an unnatural state that has probably evolved due to overexposure to the *Babe* movie franchise but nevertheless it serves them well. As a result, most vegans will eat some sort of bacon substitute, and

if my experience is any indication, these might actually serve as bear deterrents. At the very least, a bear won't come back twice.

The rest of us do not have it so easy.

Every time we go out on a wilderness camping trip we have to weigh the consequences when it comes to bacon. This is because cooking bacon over an open

campfire is basically an invitation to bears, raccoons and other campers to pay a visit. It's like ringing the dinner bell.

Wild animals like raccoons and bears complicate an outing unnecessarily. They can wreck a campsite and cause serious injury. In the case of bears, a mauling or death is a distinct though rare possibility.

So, to summarize the worst case scenarios, it comes down to either death or bacon. As you can see this is not an easy decision to make.

Conversely, the only thing vegans need to worry about cooking over a campfire is porridge, provided, of course, the *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* story is not a complete fabrication.

Despite all this, most campers I know

will happily take the risk and tote bacon along in bear country. And since this is so commonplace, I feel it is my duty as an outdoors writer to provide a few helpful tips that might mitigate the negative consequences of bacon in a bear rich environment.

So let's talk safety, shall we.

First and foremost, your safest bet is to get someone else to carry it. Preferably this will be the slowest person in the group. Or alternately, the person whose wife does not let him eat bacon during the rest of the year

because it is not good for his health.

Neither of these are perfect solutions, however. The slowest person in the group has a way of becoming the fastest person in the group when being chased by a bear – and often in situations like this that person will quickly develop the clarity of mind to throw you the pack

the bacon is in.
Also letting someone who

has been looking forward to eating bacon all year carry it could result in a fight and an unfortunate mauling – and in some areas, wildlife authorities do not look kindly upon people injuring their bears.

One of the best pieces of advice when cooking bacon in the wild is to do it in a place where relentless winds disperse the scent. But if you didn't bring along chili or beans, you can cook on a windy point and get generally the same results.

All this is to say that the best way to eat bacon during camping trips is probably just prior to the trip and just after at a diner on the way home.

It's really up to you. As for myself, I'd rather not make a rash decision.



STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

#### **INOTHER**WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

#### America at war

ND SO IT BEGINS; the second American Civil War. It is not like the first American Civil War (1861-1865) with Luniformed armies shooting at each other, but there are frightening similarities. The first civil war started when the political system failed to resolve differences over the spread of slavery.

This one is civil upheaval resulting from a political system unable to reconcile the differences between two distinct populations of citizens with different values. The differences have hardened into hatred infecting the two main political parties, the right-wing Republicans and the leftist Democrats. The centre seems to have disappeared.



JIM POLING SR. From Shaman's Rock

This second civil war has been a long time developing, most notably since the divisive Vietnam War of 50 years ago. All the signs have been obvious but ignored because this could not happen to "the greatest nation on earth."

When a country's institutions deteriorate, when citizens begin rejecting authority, and when a political system can no longer bring people together, civil war begins. In the U.S., the Congress is frozen in a state of intolerance for other political views, the justice system has been weakened by the country's own leaders, and the Supreme Court has become politicized, rendering

it less respected, and less effective.

Critical issues such as climate change, global migration, health care and collapsing infrastructure are not being addressed and will not be solved in a country at war with itself. Also, there is a danger that countries such as Russia, China and North Korea will find advantages in the weakened U.S.

The actual start of the first civil war was easy to pinpoint. Soldiers of the confederacy of pro-slavery states attacked and captured Fort Sumter near Charleston, South Carolina in April 1861.

Identifying the actual start of this second civil war is not so easy. My guess is that July 23 just passed is when this one officially began.

On that day, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents arrived in the outskirts of Nashville, Tennessee. ICE is the federal agency that has been rounding up thousands of undocumented immigrants and holding them in makeshift prisons.

They were trying to get a man and his 12-year-old son, who had locked themselves in a van. The ICE agents planned to grab them when they left the van to go into their house.

However, neighbours gathered and formed a human chain around the van, allowing the man and his son to get out of the van and into their house.

ICE had called in the local police, who just stood and watched, saying they would not get involved unless fighting broke out and they had to keep the peace. When citizens form up to stop federal law enforcement officers, I call that a sign of civil war. When local police refuse to be involved, I call that a sign of civil war.

Another sign is refusal of many victims of recent mass shootings to meet the president who came to visit them.

Even if you don't believe civil war has started it is hard not to believe there will be one soon. Recent polling shows that roughly one-third of Americans expect civil war within the next five years.

Supporting that are rising gun sales, which increased 3.8 per cent over the last year. There now are believed to be 400 million firearms in the hands of

All those guns – more than one for each American man, woman and child – are not being used for hunting and recreational shooting. Many Americans you talk to will say people are buying them for protection against increasing violence and the possibility of civil war.

Hate groups continue to grow in the U.S., not just the white supremacists of the right but loosely-organized Antifa (Anti-Fascist) groups, which have been showing up more prominently at high-profile public rallies to protest, sometimes violently, racism and hate.

There is a lesson here for Canadians, particularly the politicians seeking election this fall. They need to stop the nasty, vindictive politicking and talk about how they can respect each other and work together to give ordinary citizens the things they need to have better lives.

If they won't, and continue to work on behalf of their parties instead of the people, we can turn our gazes south and see our future.

## 'A' is for avocado

**LAURIE SWEIG** 

Practical Fitness

OR THE LONGEST TIME I felt avocados were high in calories so they should be avoided except for special occasions that called for guacamole. I was correct in thinking they are packed with calories but the nutritional benefits that

are part of the little green package means avocados are meant for so much more than something to put on a chip.

An avocado is a fruit. There are many types that vary in shape and colour. The one I am familiar with is the Hass avocado. Apparently it is also known as an alligator pear because it is shaped like a pear and its skin is similar to that of an alligator. That's another bit of trivia you

can file away for a rainy day! All of that aside, avocados are incredibly nutritious. Here's an overview:

- They contain significant amounts of vitamin K, Folate, vitamin C, potassium, vitamin B5, vitamin B6, vitamin E and small amounts of magnesium, copper, iron, zinc and vitamins A, B1, B2 and B3.
- Avocados are high in fat but it is good fat. The majority of the fat is a monounsaturated fatty acid known as oleic acid. Oleic acid's health benefits include the reduction of inflammation.
- An avocado can contain approximately half of the daily fibre requirement of the average person.
- One medium avocado contains 250 -300 calories. That's why, while they are an amazing food choice, they should be eaten sparingly. As good

as guacamole is, it's easy to overeat it. It's like peanut butter that way. It goes down quickly and the calories add up like crazy. One tablespoon is approximately 25 calories. Let's face it, guacamole is rarely eaten solely

with carrot sticks! There are a ton of calories in the guacamole and chip combination. So, what do we do about that? We make choices, that's what!

Avocados are a superior food choice. In consuming one a day there will have to be the sacrifice of other foods in order to stay within your daily caloric requirements. The two foods that can be replaced are butter and cheese. This may

take some getting used to but most of us can handle a little less of both of those.

Avocado toast has become incredibly popular over the past couple years. I haven't tried it yet, but it's as simple as making toast and putting mashed up avocado on it. If you want to be fancy, you can add lime and cilantro to the avocado mix. What I have tried is substituting slices of avocado for cheese in salads. The thing about avocados is that they leave you feeling fuller longer. That's thanks to fat and fibre contained in each fruit.

Guess what I'm having for breakfast tomorrow?

Something to think about.

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#### **Pals**

Minden Times reader John Gibb sent in this photo of his cat Celtie and his Golden retriever River enjoying a snuggle. Who says cats and dogs can't be friends?

#### AUGUST BOOK OF THE MONTH

French Exit by Patrick DeWitt

East side socialite Frances Price is in dire straits. She's beset by scandal and impending



bankruptcy. Her adult son Malcolm, the perfect example of arrested development, is no help. Then there's the Prices' aging cat, Small Frank, who Frances believes houses the spirit of her late husband, a world-class cad whose gruesome tabloid death rendered them all social outcasts

Deciding to cut their losses, the family head for Paris, but in this instance, The City of Light serves not as a backdrop for love or romance, but self destruction and economical ruin - to riotous effect.

Brimming with pathos and wit, French Exit is a one-of-akind "tragedy of manners," a riotous send-up of high society, as well as a moving mother/son caper which only Patrick DeWitt could conceive and execute. It is a nominee for this years Evergreen award and is available at HCPL.

#### **Progress on arena project**

The new Minden arena under construction on Aug. 12. The \$13-million project, which also includes a gymnasium with walking track, is scheduled to be completed before the 2020/21 ice season. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



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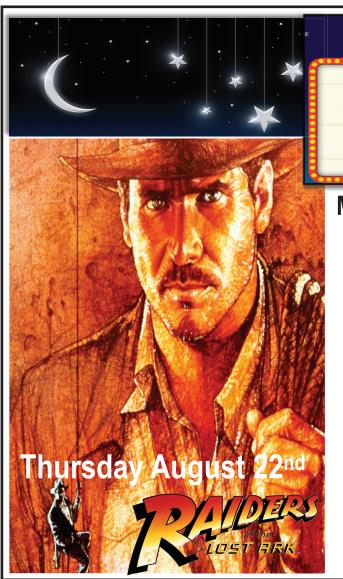
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# Minden Pride 2019 bigger than ever

Minden Pride Week starts off with the flag raising Monday, Aug. 19 at 10 a.m. at the Minden Hills municipal office. The Minden Pride Players will perform live music, followed by a reception at 10:45 a.m. at Up River Trading Co. /DARREN **LUM Staff** 





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by VANESSA BALINTEC

Times Staff

For the fourth year running, Minden will have a week filled with fun, inclusive activities and events for all to enjoy in the name of LGBTQ pride.

"I think everybody's going to have a very wonderful time," said Minden Pride chairman David Rankin, who's been involved with the event for three years. "There's going to be a lot of excitement for everybody, a lot of fun, a lot of interaction and socialization.'

Minden Pride kicks it off with the flag raising on Monday, Aug. 19 at 10 a.m. at the Minden Hills municipal building, while The Minden Pride Players perform live music. Reception follows after at 10:45 a.m., right across the street at Up River Trading Co.

A relaxing night in, Movie Night takes place on Tuesday Aug. 20 at 7 p.m., at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, where critically acclaimed drama Tru Love by award-winning filmmaker Kate Johnston will be screened. With a special appearance from the director herself, the night will end with a Q&A session about the film.

The Community Meet and Greet will take place on Wednesday, Aug. 21 between 5:30 p.m. and 8 p.m at Boshkung Social with live entertainment from Nick & Benton, providing ample opportunity to mingle and socialize.

On Thursday, Aug. 22, Trivia Night will be held at the Dominion Hotel and Pub from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. To participate, five-person teams must register early for \$5 per participant. Earlier on in the day, as an all-ages event, Drag Queen Story Hour will be held at the Minden Hills library branch at

An exciting addition to the line-up, the Burlesque Ball will be held at the Pinestone Resort from 8 p.m. to close on Friday Aug. 23. Featuring drag queens and musical entertainment, tickets are \$25 per person and can be purchased at Russell Red Records in Haliburton and at both Up River Trading Co. locations in Minden and Haliburton and online at russellredrecords.ca.

On Saturday Aug. 24, the 19+ event Tea Dance will be underway from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at The Dominion Hotel and Pub, where live entertainment, door prizes, food, and a new silent auction will be showcased.

The last day of the week, Sunday, Aug. 25, features two main events. A multi-faith service at 1 p.m. at the Highland Hills United Church for people of all faiths to participate in will have hosts of the event coming from Anglican, First Nations and Buddhist expertise and backgrounds. Street Fest will take place down Water Street from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. and will showcase a variety of food, exhibitors, vendors, special live entertainment, and games.

"This community is extremely welcoming and we have really felt embraced," said Rankin. "There are still a lot of people, both young individuals and older people who are feeling isolated because they're not really aware that they can be out and open and recognized that they are not alone in this community. It's important that they understand that they're

For more information on tickets, pricing, volunteer sign-up, and general information about Pride Week, visit www.mindenpride.ca.



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# Marking 50 years of liberation

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

Two pivotal events in the gay rights movement in North America took place in 1969 - the Stonewall riots in New York City, and the decriminalization of homosexuality by the Canadian government.

Sinclair Russell was a young man in his mid-20s at the time. The Stonewall riots were a series of spontaneous, violent uprisings against the New York Police Department by members of LGBTQ community in retaliation for years of police raids on gay bars. They took place in late June and early July of 1969, and are considered to have essentially given birth to the Pride movement in North America. Named for the Stonewall Inn in Greenwich Village where the revolt began, the riots gave way to the creation of gay activist groups in New York City, as well as the founding of publications dedicated to gay rights.

Russell was on Fire Island, a gay enclave just off Long Island, during the riots.

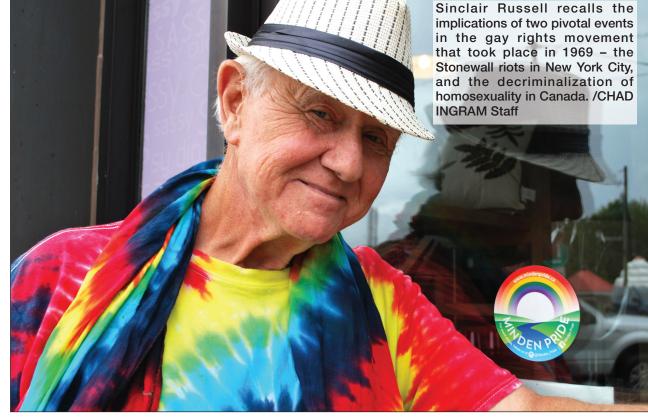
"I lived in Toronto, but I happened to be in New York City," Russell says, explaining he'd read about the riots in the newspapers in the days following their occurrence. While he recognizes the significance of the riots, Russell says he himself was half ambivalent to them.

"That really started the whole Pride thing in New York," he says. "... I was not all that interested in it, because I was proud all the time."

Living in the gay village in Toronto and immersed in the world of design where he forged his career, Russell says he was sort of insulated from the more violent aspects of the gay rights movement, since he was living in a bit of a bubble.

"I was already surrounded by it," he says.

"Between '69 and '78, the whole thing kept growing and spread to the west coast," Russell continues. San Francisco artist Gilbert Baker created the rainbow flag in 1978, and Russell will be talking about the significance of the flag during Minden Pride flag-raising next week.



marches, which started on Christopher Street, where the Stonewall is located.

Russell attended his first march on Christopher Street in

"At that point, it was a protest," he says.

North of the border, 1969 was significant because it was the year the Canadian federal government decriminalized homosexuality, then-justice minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau making the famous remark, "There's no place for the state in the bed-

"That was quite a celebration," Russell recalls. "I'm not sure we all knew exactly what that meant, just that it wasn't illegal anymore."

"I feel by that time, we did feel more free, more liberated, but it didn't come overnight," he says.

Pride Week in Canada began in 1973, with a number of cities holding celebrations. Pride Toronto, now the country's largest Pride celebration, began as a protest in 1981, following a series of raids by police on bathhouses in the city.

# Burlesque Ball is going to be a drag

by JENN WATT

Editor

Organizers of Minden Pride Week's Burlesque Ball are promising an inclusive, end-of-summer dance party with "fantastic costuming, fantastic performance art, world class music, world class DJing" – and some of Toronto's top drag queen performers.

"It's a huge dance party. I think some people have the impression it's going to be a sit-down drag show. It's going to be a dance club for the night with sets of entertainment interspersed," said Dan Manley, who is organizing the event through Red Events, which he operates with his partner Collin Burke.

"Basically it's a party, dancing, DJing and there'll be three half-hour to 40-minute sets of entertainment," Burke said.

The ball, planned for Friday, Aug. 23 at Pinestone Resort, will feature performers Scarlett BoBo, Devine Darlin, Ivory Towers, DJ Chiclet and special guest Michelle Ross, who Burke described as "a legend."

"She's a performer who's been in the Church Street scene [for decades]," Burke said. Ross's name is a play on Diana Ross, and over the years she has toured the world performing. Bringing drag performers to the Haliburton Highlands for

Minden Pride is like a final coming out, said Manley.

"When I first came up here, I was locally still in the closet. I was totally out in Toronto. I didn't know what to expect up here. I didn't tell anybody. I kept pronouns [like] 'my other half' and you know, very neutral wordings of things. I didn't tell people how my weekend was ... I would avoid [those conversations] to not expose something," he said.

Over time, people came to know more about Manley's life and his partner, Burke.

"If there was a closet I still had to come out of, I guess I'm coming out now."

For Burke, the Burlesque Ball is a return to a previous era in his life, when he worked in Toronto organizing large dance productions and night club events in the mid-'90s through to the mid-2000s.

"I grew up in this town. I was gay. I left. There wasn't a lot, as in almost none, no support. I found a world in Toronto that was completely inclusive of a lot of people who had left their



Scarlett BoBo is one of the Highlands of today, alperformers set to hit the most 20 years later, feels stage in Haliburton on Friday, much more welcoming. Aug. 23 at Pinestone Resort. /@itsscarlettbobo

communities and found a new community," Burke said. "For me, I worked in the bar and entertainment industry my whole time there. Drag was certainly a part of that. At that time it was like drag queens were ... a political force. They were activism and fighting for causes that were desperately needed."

He said the Haliburton

"I'm surprised, and of course extremely happy, but surprised [by] the

amount of support youth have at the high school growing up now in this community. I think it's amazing. It's much easier for parents to reach out and get support for issues they may not understand."

The time seemed right to bring drag performers for Pride, with the huge success of RuPaul's Drag Race, a reality show where queens compete for the crown, becoming America's next drag superstar. The Emmy-award-winning program has completed its 11th season in the U.S. with spin-offs set to launch in the U.K. and Canada.

For those who have never been to a drag show before, Burke and Manley said to come dressed however you'd like.

"If you want to come in a huge rainbow feathered boa, if you want to colour your hair, show up in anything you want," Manley said.

"Absolutely express yourself," added Burke.

The Burlesque Ball is Friday, Aug. 23 from 8 p.m. to close at Pinestone Resort in Haliburton. It is an inclusive event open to everyone. Tickets are \$25 and are available at Russell Red Records in Haliburton, Up River Trading Co. in Minden or online at russellredrecords.ca.



# Pride about visibility and acceptance

by SUE TIFFIN Times Staff

A Street Fest planned for the last day of Minden's Pride Week is set to bring together a diverse community in a culmination of celebration.

The event is being co-organized by Jeremy Blackmore and Madison Frith through the Minden Pride community and offers an inclusive chance for everyone throughout the Minden Hills community to celebrate Pride in their own way.

"I always feel the meaning of Pride is inclusiveness, no matter who you are or why you're celebrating pride, you are," said Blackmore. "You're celebrating who you are and we're all different ... For me up here in a small community that has a very strong lesbian, gay and now trans presence, it's really great to just celebrate that together."

Blackmore said he appreciates the Pride celebrations held in larger cities but that they don't represent who he is anymore, as he said they tend to be geared toward a younger crowd, and come with more of a party atmosphere. Minden Pride offers what he called a "real and charming and simple in a great way," sort of feeling.

"It's the community," he said. "It's an opportunity for me to feel like I'm part of something bigger. I can live my life and I don't need Pride – I don't need a Pride event to be a proud, gay, man – but having that opportunity with people of like mind and similar situation is great, and even having an opportunity to celebrate it with somebody who doesn't necessarily have a like mind and similar situation is great as well."

Blackmore said it's a good opportunity to show people who aren't part of the community that Minden is an inclusive place.

"You don't necessarily see that in other communities in Canada," he said. "As liberal as we are, there's a lot of fear and lack of understanding and a lack of even wanting to understand from a lot of people out there. To have this be such an accepted thing in such a small community, that alone deserves to be

Frith said while Pride acknowledges how far the LGBTQ+ community has come, it also offers a chance to look at which communities within the broader community might have been left behind, to ensure everyone can celebrate progress. She noted trans rights are now getting more visibility than previously, and that in the future she thinks there will be more understanding of non-binary gender and pronoun preference.

"Ultimately it comes down to, first of all, just being accepted and being visual," she said. "It's just saying, hey, we're here. There are LGBTQ+ people in every community, every family, but often they get ignored. I think what people often forget is that yes we celebrate, but we're partially celebrating how far we've come, because Pride started off as a riot. Pride started off as a protest. It gives us a chance to think of how far we've come and how much progress we still have to make."

As a bartender in Toronto, Frith met people who had been completely disowned by their families and said that while LGBTQ+ rights in Canada are more advanced than in many countries, it wasn't so long ago that being transgender was, for all intents and purposes, illegal.

"There's right now definitely a rise of hate going on, and we need to show that hey, we're OK, and the town accepts us, and the people accept us," she said. "To me, I think [Pride] is

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just important to help gain acceptance, help bridge communities... and help gain acceptance for each other.'

Blackmore and Frith have been working on organizing Minden Pride's Street Fest, which will be held Aug. 25 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 to get together to celebrate. Admission is p.m. on Water Street in Minden and offers free and the event is inclusive – everyone is a wide variety of vendors, activities, outdoor games and entertainment for adults as well as kids, and food, as well as a chance for people

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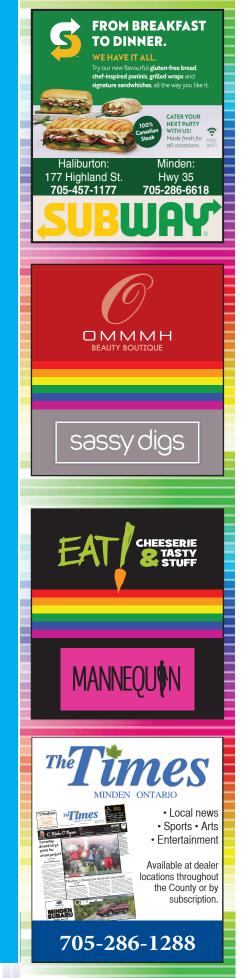
















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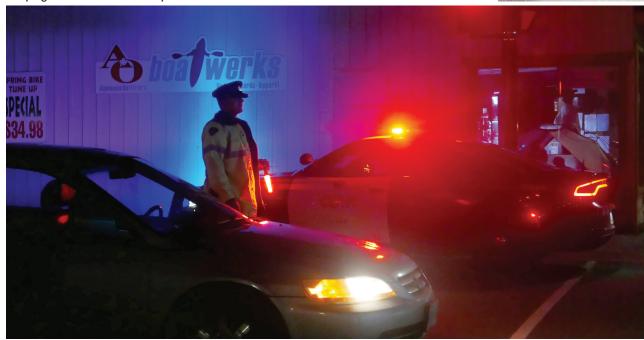


12 a.m. to 1 a.m.: Foodland's Mike Vanier, who has worked the night shift for a decade, sees the last cashier out to her car, locking the door so he can get started on cleaning the building over the next few hours before it reopens in the morning. On his ride home, he said he's seen night sky phenomena that most people don't get to see. "Sleep is another story," he said. "I do my best sleeping when the sun comes up."/SUE TIFFIN Staff

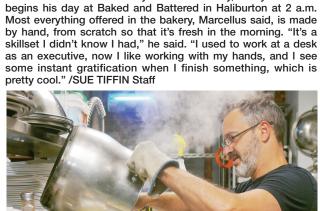


1 a.m to 2 a.m.:

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2 a.m. to 3 a.m.: Provincial Const. Adam Rafton finishes speaking with a driver as part of a RIDE program set up at Highland Street and Maple Avenue in Haliburton. PC Tim Negus said they had seen about 15 to 20 cars out earlier but at around 1:30 a.m. it "slowed right down." The driver in this car was delivering papers. Another was headed to an early morning MRI appointment out of town. "There's only three types of people who are out," he said. "People going to work, people out causing trouble or grief for the public, and then [drunk drivers] ... It's sporadic, but if you get one, it's absolutely worth it."/SUE TIFFIN Staff



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4 a.m. to 5 a.m.: Shane Dykstra wakes up, has some coffee and breakfast, and heads outside to milk the goat, feed the horses and pigs, and get the day started in the dark on his off-grid homestead on Plantation Road in Minden. He's joined by Quill, a maremma just over a year old who Dykstra said has really come into her own. "It gives you time to centre yourself for the day," he said of the early morning start. "To focus on where you're at and how blessed we are. We are incredibly blessed."



5 a.m. to 6 a.m.: Moose FM morning announcer Rick Lowes arrives to work at 4:30 a.m. each day. He's worked at the Haliburton radio station for 12 years and has never missed a shift - even during the worst snowstorms. "Getting up early and seeing the community come to life in the morning, it's cool," he says. /JENN WATT Staff

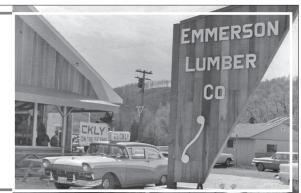
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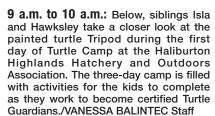


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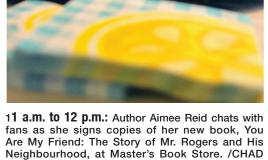


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1 p.m. to 2 p.m.: Rvan Da Silva prepares to fly out of the Stanhope Airport. A Haliburton Lake cottager, Da Silva formerly worked in IT, but after getting his pilot's licence in 2018, he's going back to school to become a commercial pilot. /CHAD INGRAM Staff







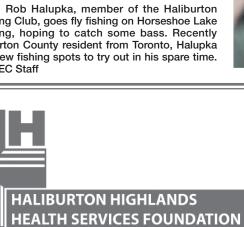
4 p.m. to 5 p.m.: On hot days out, Wilbermere Lake is a popular destination for families and cottagers, who go swimming in the water and play at the beach. On this day, four-yearold Bronson Toye and little sister Amaya frolic in the water. They go swimming often as





5 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Cottagers from Germany Elfi Thiessen and husband Ansgar Asseburg discuss what to buy at the Cardiff Country Store to stock up on food and snacks. Every summer they visit and can be seen coming into Cardiff to spend a month in the area vacationing./VANESSA BALINTEC Staff





**6** a.m. to **7** am.: Henk van Nood of Haliburton enjoys his breakfast at the Kosy Korner. He comes into the diner five days a week for his favourite: bacon and eggs, beans and toast with strawberry jam. /JENN WATT Staff



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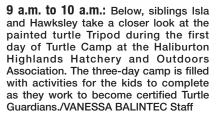
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11 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Author Aimee Reid chats with fans as she signs copies of her new book, You Are My Friend: The Story of Mr. Rogers and His Neighbourhood, at Master's Book Store. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



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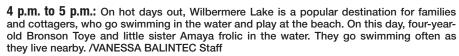
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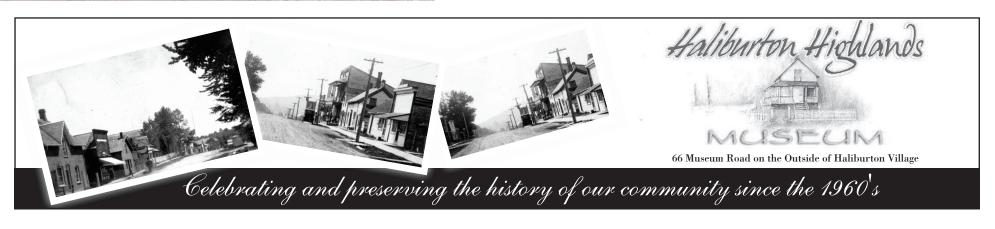
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.: Bid euchre players set up at one end of the Haliburton Legion's main hall to enjoy an afternoon game together. Here, two of the four games can be seen. "Win or lose, it's always a good social time," Doris Laine said. They meet every Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome, \$3 admission./JENN WATT Staff







5 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Cottagers from Germany Elfi Thiessen and husband Ansgar Asseburg discuss what to buy at the Cardiff Country Store to stock up on food and snacks. Every summer they visit and can be seen coming into Cardiff to spend a month in the area vacationing./VANESSA BALINTEC Staff





6 p.m. to 7 p.m.: Left, the McNeilage family: Jack, Grady, Lisa and Doug, eat dinner on their boathouse overlooking Twelve Mile Lake. They have been cottaging there for 12 years and have a love of the area, where people help one another with the annual regatta and the children swim, waterski and play together. /DARREN LUM Staff



7 p.m. to 8 p.m.: Above, Red Hawks field hockey player Melissa Brinkos readies for a backhand during a drill at the field hockey program's pre-season workout at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School back athletic field. Coach Steve Smith said the summer workouts have helped players learn about field hockey and develop skills in preparation for the high school season. Eight sessions were held this summer on Wednesday evenings./DARREN LUM Staff



"Ah! Je vais l'aimer" from Beatrice et Benedict at the Celebrations! concert at St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton. Presented by the Highlands Opera Studio, the event featured the talents of some of its 25 studio participants, who performed particular pieces to celebrate composers./
DARREN LUM Staff





10 p.m. to 11 p.m.: Lit by the swing ride's lights, girls hold hands in the air at the Haliburton Rotary Carnival. /DARREN LUM Staff



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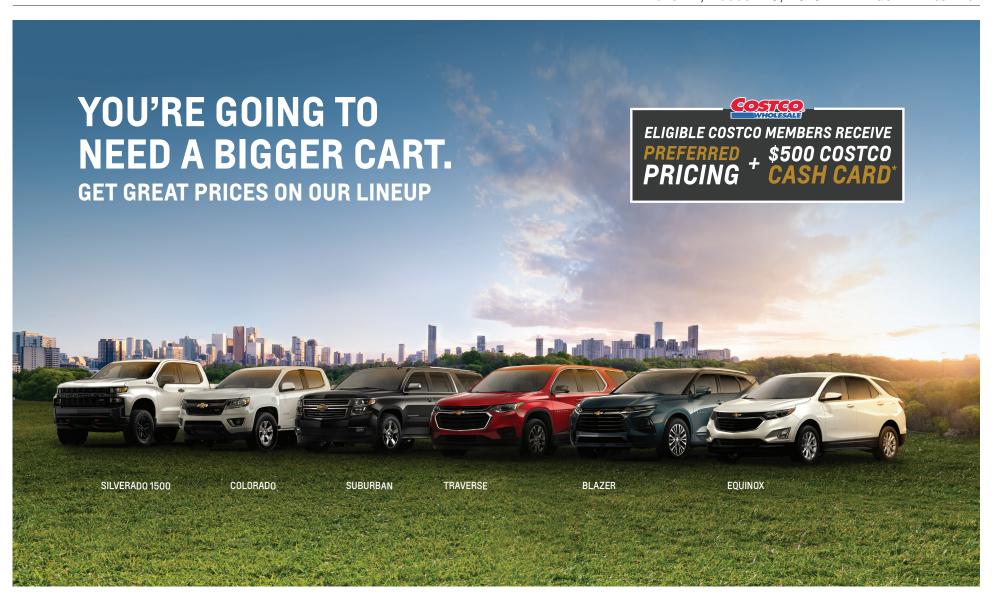
11 p.m. to **12 a.m.:** Ellie Chamberlin locks the door of the **Dominion Hotel** and Pub, the last of the businesses on a now-quiet Bobcaygeon Road in Minden to close after a busy day. She'll stick around a little bit longer, offering an employee a lift to make sure they get home safely. And with that, the day is done./SUE TIFFIN Staff



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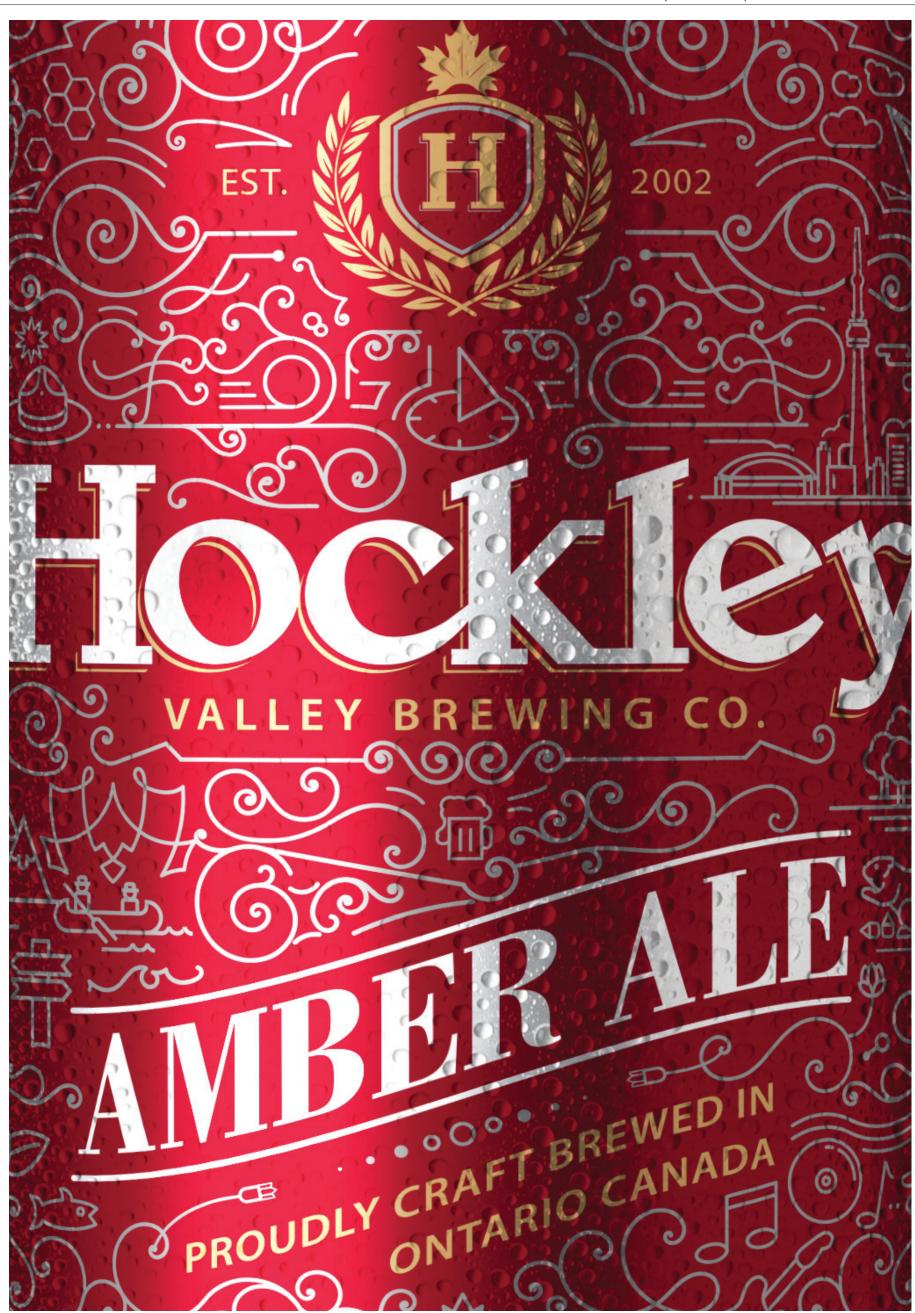
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Clockwise from top left, the classic car cruise at Kinmount FunFest on Aug. 10 brought a crowd of car gazers to Austin Sawmill Park to see the "kruiz-in," which included this 1976 Ford T-Bird. Horse-drawn wagon rides are a must. Steve Morrin (Tree) gave Kinmount FunFest-goers an audio tour with bird calls at a booth he'd set up on the sidewalk next to vendors and community agencies. Wooley Wonderland Farm brought a collection of cuddly animals for a critter visit that made for an educational opportunity as well as plenty of selfie moments. Hailey from Toronto was in the area cottaging in Irondale when she stopped by the Kinmount FunFest to be amazed by the Kinmount Food Bank's Hypnotizing Harmonograph, which was set up on the sidewalk. Middle photo: Yvette Bauer watches over a crowd-stopping game of Chicken Poop Bingo, to help raise awareness and donations for the Haliburton County Red Wolves. /SUE TIFFIN Staff





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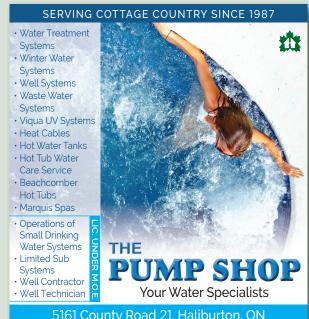
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#### **Highland Yard gets boost from River Run**

River Run donated part of their proceeds from a co-promotion with Highland Yard on Aug. 4, pushing the total for this year's race to more than \$22,000, the best outcome ever for Places for People, the charity that runs the event. River Run also donated two gift certificates for a float down the river for P4P tenant families. Pictured from left are John Rogers, president of P4P; Max Ward, treasurer and his son Thomas; River Run staff Madison Frith, owner Rob Rutkowski and Barb McCallum, staff Keira Rutkowski, Dawson Allore. Submitted by Places for People

#### COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APPLICATION FOR MINOR VARIANCE

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:

DATE: Monday, August 26, 2019

TIME: 9:30 AM

LOCATION: Municipal Council Chambers

7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.

to consider minor variance applications PLMV2019037, PLMV2019038, and PLMV2019039,. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to consider the proposed Minor Variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act. The minor variance applications being considered are listed below:

PLMV2019037 - Part of Lot 14, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as 1338 Reynolds Road; and located on Horseshoe Lake (see Key Map). **Purpose and Effect of the Application:** To permit the replacement of a boathouse with a 0.3m. (1') increase in height whereas no increase in height would otherwise be permitted. The proposed replacement boathouse would be located 0.6m. (2') further back from the High



PLMV2019038 - Part of Lot 8, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Snowdon; municipally known as <u>1047 Jopling Road</u>; and located on Irondale River (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit a 1.5m. (5') increase in height to the existing dwelling which is located 4.6m. (15') from the High Water Mark whereas no increase would otherwise be permitted.



PLMV2019039 - Part of Lot 10, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally PLMV 2019039 - Part of Lot 10, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as 1114 Parallel Falls Lane; and located on Mountain Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the replacement of the existing single storey 118.9 m2 (1,280sq.ft.) dwelling which is situated 9.4m. (31') from the High Water Mark with a new larger two storey dwelling which is to encroach into the required side yard of the north property line. The variance sought would allow for a 119.7 m2 (1,288sq. ft.) dwelling together with 29.7 m2 (320sq.ft.) of covered porch and measure 8.5m. (28') in height to be situated 9.8m. (32') from the water and project to a distance of 4.3m. (14') from the north property line whereas no increase in size or height would otherwise be permitted and the required side yard would be 4.5 m (14'9'') and the required side yard would be 4.5m. (14'9").



HAVE YOUR SAY: Input on the above noted applications is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. If you do not attend the public meeting, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in The Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS: To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision, please contact the undersigned or e-mail iclendening@mindenhills.ca. If you do not make a written submission prior to a decision, nor make an oral submission at the Public Hearing, and subsequently submit an appeal of the decision, the Local Planning

MORE INFORMATION: Additional information regarding these applications will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the hearing at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department during normal office hours, and online at www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom.

PRIVACY DISCLOSURE: As one of the purposes of the Planning Act is to provide for planning processes that are open and accessible, all written submissions, documents, correspondence, e-mails or other communications (including your name and address) form part of the public record and may be disclosed/made available by the Township as deemed appropriate, including anyone requesting such information. Please note that by submitting any of this information, you are providing the Township with your consent to use and disclose this information as part of the planning process.

ACCESSIBILITY: The Township of Minden Hills is committed to providing services as set out in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. If you have accessibility needs and require alternative formats or other accommodations, please contact the undersigned.

For more information about this matter contact iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

Dated this 15th day of August, 2019.

Ian Clendening, MPl., ACST Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street, Minden ON., K0M 2K0

# Drawdown, evaporation has levels on some lakes low

Hot, dry weather has contributed to lower-thanusual lake levels

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

An ongoing drawdown of lakes that are part of the Trent Severn Waterway feeder system, combined with evaporation, mean water levels on a number of county lakes are below average seasonal levels.

July's hot, dry weather has contributed to lower-than-usual levels in some areas of the county. As a water management update from the TSW explains, rainfall for July was 75 per cent below normal, and a similar trend is expected for August.

"The ongoing hot and dry conditions for the extended period of time have resulted in lower than normal local inflows and enhanced the rates of evaporation and the system transitioned from a normal summer condition at the beginning of July to below normal conditions by late July and early August," the update reads. "Water management and operational activities are conducted to appropriately respond to the changes and may result in water level and fluctuations across the system."

While there was 10 to 15 mm of rain forecast last week, that precipitation came mostly in the form of thunderstorms, meaning it was sporadic and highly variable from one location to another.

According to the TSW, in Haliburton County, most lakes are near or below longterm average water levels.

"Levels continue to decline at a steady rate due to the active drawdown and enhanced lake evaporation rates," the update

As of last week, the Gull River reservoir was 78 per cent full, the Burnt River reservoir was 76 per cent full, and flows on both rivers were slightly below average for the time of

A drawdown that began Aug. 6 is scheduled to end Aug. 20, with levels dropping between 0.005 and nearly 0.4 metres depending on the lake. Some of the largest scheduled drawdowns for lakes in the Gull River watershed included Percy Lake at 0.398 metres; Horseshoe Lake at 0.37 metres; Sherborne Lake at 0.333 metres; Hawk Lake at 0.329 metres; and Twelve Mile Lake at 0.323

Drawdown forecasts can be found on the Parks Canada website at https://www.pc.gc. ca/en/lhn-nhs/on/trentsevern/info/infonet/ rabattement-drawdown-forecast

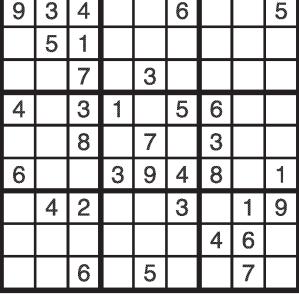
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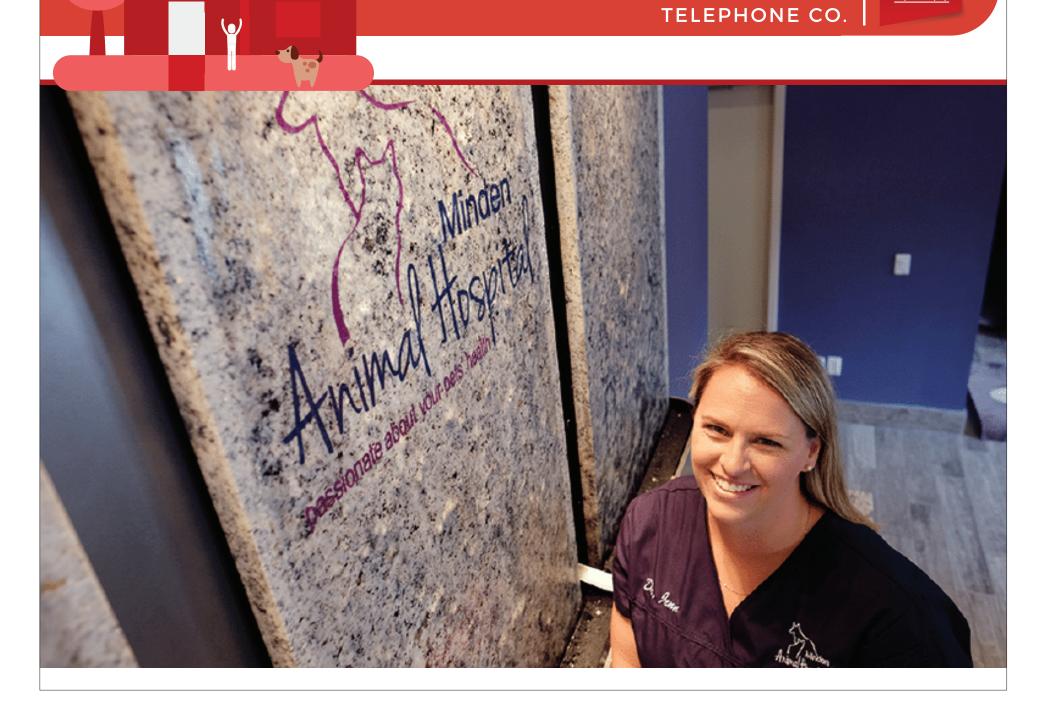


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#### **Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic**

When: Wednesday, Aug. 14, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

#### **Evensong at Twelve Mile Lake Church**

When: Saturday, Aug. 17, 6 p.m. to dusk Friends of Twelve Mile Lake Historical Church invite you to an evening of Country Gospel Music with the Country Hot Flashes and Friends. Please remember your lawn chair.

#### **Annual Jack Gorin Memorial Legion Golf Tournament**

When: Saturday, Aug. 17

Where: Haliburton Highlands Golf Club, 3180

Kashagawigamog Road, Haliburton

Shotgun starts at 1:30 p.m. (please arrive by 1p.m.) For more information, contact the Legion at 705-457-2571

#### **Museum by Moonlight**

When: Aug. 17, 7:30 -9:30 p.m. Where: Haliburton Highlands Museum

#### **Essonville Historic Church Memorial Service**

When: Sunday, Aug. 18, 2 p.m.

Where: Essonville Historic Church, 1284 Essonville Line/ County Rd. 4

A special service of remembrance for those who are buried in the Essonville Pioneer Cemetery.

A time of fellowship and refreshments will follow.

#### **Annual Decoration Day Service**

- Gelert Cemetery

When: Sunday, Aug. 18, 3 p.m. Please bring lawn chairs.

#### 2019 Minden Pride Week (Aug. 19 to 25) Flag Raising

When: Monday, Aug. 19 Time: 10 a.m. Where: Minden Hills Municipal Building, 9 Milne Street Celebrate the kick-off of our own Minden Pride week of events with the official raising of the Rainbow Flag over our municipal building. For more info and updates www.mindenpride.ca

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When: Thursday, Aug. 22, 10:10 a.m. Where: Minden library branch

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When: Saturday, Aug. 24, 10 a.m. to noon Where: Barnum Creek Nature Reserve Discover the fascinating world of mushrooms and other fungi with amateur naturalist Pat Birchell from the Mycological Society of Toronto. Learn to recognize many of the mushrooms found at this time of year in Haliburton County. Funded in part by TD Friends of the Environment Contact: Haliburton Highlands Land Trust office 705-457-3700 or at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca



#### **NOTICE SPECIAL MEETING**

#### **Township Strategic Visioning** Session

TAKE NOTICE that Council will hold a Special meeting on August 27, 2019 commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the Township's Council Chambers at 1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, ON.

The purpose of the meeting is to conduct a Strategic Visioning Session for the Township.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019.

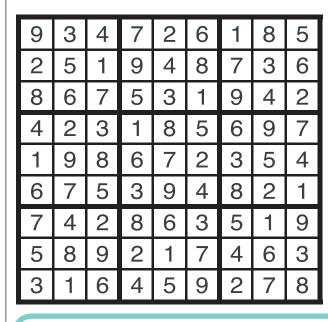
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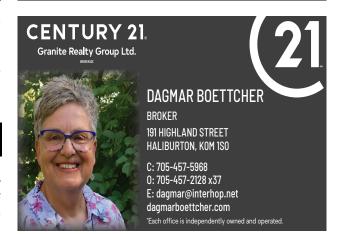
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# market, to market

A farmers' market is coming to

With the assistance of the Haliburton County Advisory Committee on Marketing and Economic Diversification, members of the local agricultural community will gather on Minden's Village Green this Saturday to sell the produce of their gardens, orchards and

'The idea of a farmers' market came up during a discussion at the committee," market co-ordinator Stu Brandon said. "I offered to see if there was enough interest and received a favourable response from the farming com-

The August 4 market will be the first of three scheduled for this season. The others are set for September 1 and October 6, all holiday weekends. The group plans to hold a market day at the Haliburton County Fall Fair Au-

(more on page 3)

#### Helipad work should start this week

by Jerry Grozelle

Completion of the helipad at the new Minden Hospital site is expected to be at least a month away. Haliburton Highlands Health Services CEO Foster Loucks said he had heard community concerns regarding when the helipad would be built and in service.

'Site preparation is scheduled to start next week," Loucks said at Thursday's meeting of the HHHS Board. He noted that the electrical work, including burying the hydro lines, will have to be done before actual construction of the landing pad can get under way.

On a positive note, negotiations with the contractor have reduced the costs by \$11,000.

#### Good financial news

When the Stewardship and Resources Committee of the HHHS completed its budget for 2001-2002 it was expecting a deficit of \$482,000. Recent announcements from the provincial government have eliminated that deficit and the Board expects to end the next fiscal year in the black, barring any unforseen expenses

'We will continue with the operating plan," said Don DeMaio, Chair of the Stewardship and Resources Com-

(more on page 4)

#### Next edition of The Times appears Tuesday

The next edition of The Times will be published on Tuesday, August 7, since the Civic Holiday falls next Monday. Deadlines for next week's newspaper remain the same. Please have classified advertisements to our office by noon on Thursday, August 2 and display advertisements and editorial submissions by Thursday at 4 p.m. We hope everyone enjoys a safe holiday weekend.



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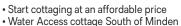
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